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## **IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL CATTLE ENTERING NORTH DAKOTA**

The State Board of Animal Health requires that all sexually intact cattle of any age, imported from any state, be officially identified prior to entry into North Dakota. If cattle are identified by a legible National Breed Registered tattoo, the individual registration number for the animal must be listed along with the tattoo. Nursing calves accompanying their dam are exempt from this requirement, except from MI and TX. Spayed heifers must have a statement on the accompanying Health Certificate, by the veterinarian verifying that they are spayed in order to be exempt from ID requirements. *This requirement is based upon North Dakota Administrative Code (NDAC) §48-02-01-03.6.*

### **ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF OFFICIAL ID INCLUDE:**

- USDA Silver tags
- Official Brucellosis (Bangs) vaccination tags
- USDA Approved Radio Frequency Identification Tags
- Legible National Breed Registered Tattoos with the registration number for each individual animal

**\*Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, registration tattoos and registration numbers will no longer be considered official ID for cattle being imported into North Dakota.**